ABOUT THOSE JAPANESE MANGAS YOU LIKE SO MUCH...
AND REMEMBER THE PROTAGONISTS IN THOSE STORIES...
OKAY, FINE. LET'S TALK ABOUT IT, STAZ.
THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU WOULD DO RIGHT NOW IF YOU WERE IN THEIR SHOES...
WHAT WILL YOU DO?
OH!
FIRST THEY WOULD WEAR THIS ON THEIR HEADS...
BUT NOT BEFORE TAKING A WHIFF OF IT.
What is he going to do with her panties?
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小玉有起
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第24話
SFX: STRECH

You think it's a joke!?
And quit holding it like it's some kind of contaminated item!
BUT THAT'S THE KIND OF JOKE YOU'D EXPECT FROM JAPAN...
What kind of comics do you read anyway!?
Wrong, pervert!
I'm gonna KILL you!
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AH...

THAT WAS CLOSE...
So that was it...
It's strange...
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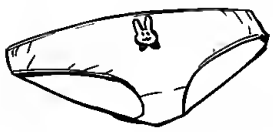
I thought it would have been the perfect hostage.

But this is strange...

I thought, "Lucky-I should use this to my advantage!"

When I picked this up...



Yeah, sure, I would have looked like an ass if I did that.

Yes, she probably would have surrendered.

It would have been easier for her to teleport to her own room and change.

Rather than put up with me taking her underwear hostage...

But at least I would have found-her out.

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Man, am I glad I didn't go through with that idea...

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Meanwhile I'd still be stuck here making a fool of myself.

The answer's simple.

She had said to me
And then that's why
But rather than let me clown around with her stuff...
She seemed to want it all back, as if she absolutely had to recover it by any means...
OKAY, FINE. LET'S TALK ABOUT IT, STAZ.
Did I overlook something?
What's the point? She could have just left me here and ran away...
...I have no clue and I can't even tell her to explain either.
Is this a rare item or something?
So if this is what she's trying to take back, then...

And if I run away as if I did something wrong, she'll definitely catch up with me.
And that expression of hers...
WHAT SHOULD I DO..!?
.....
THOSE PANTIES ARE HER TREASURE
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT!

Inside the bag...
If Staz sees that, then it's a 'Bad End' for me.
To be honest, he can do whatever he wants with my underwear... Well, maybe that's not a good thing but...
My secret 'Treasure Note'.
Treasure Note
is something I've recorded all the things I want in.
IF HE GETS A LOOK AT THAT... I MIGHT AS WELL DIE OF EMBARRASSMENT!!
ON THE STAR PAGE...
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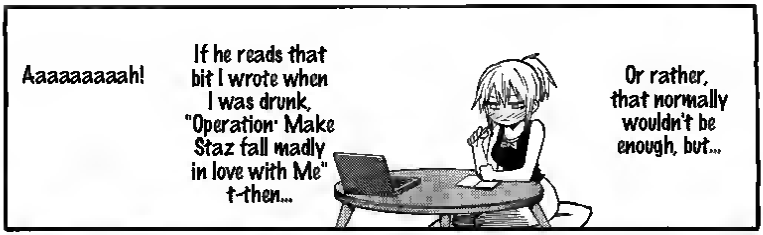
Aaaaaaaaah!
If he reads that bit I wrote when I was drunk, "Operation: Make Staz fall madly in love with Me" t-then...
Or rather, that normally wouldn't be enough, but...

It's as if I dug my own grave!
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Why the hell did I write something like that in there!?

My true feelings for him will be revealed...
.....
...In any case, if he reads that, it's over.

Thank you for reading this story.
SEE YA, CREEP.
The End.

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It can't happennnn!
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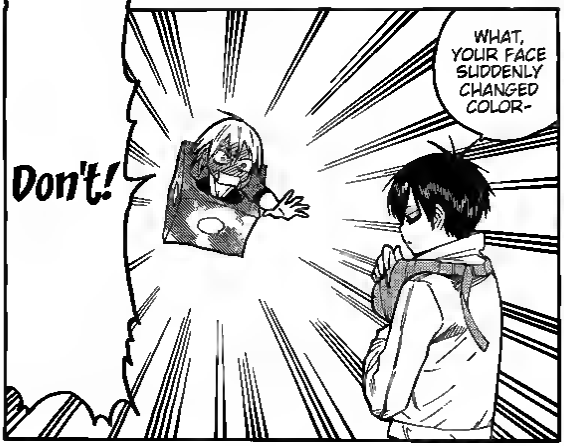
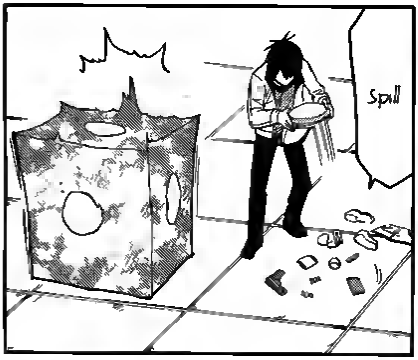
Zip
LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE QUITE A FEW IMPORTANT THINGS IN HERE. HEHEHE...
LET'S SEE WHAT'S IN HERE...


Don't!
WHAT, YOUR FACE SUDDENLY CHANGED COLOR-
HM?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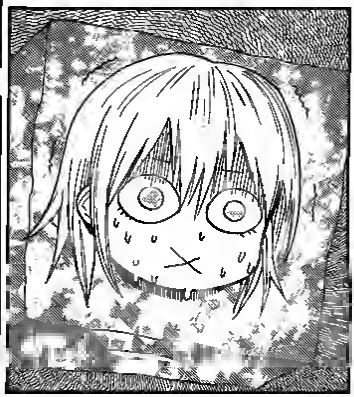
LET'S SEE HERE...



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WHAT, YOURSELF.
WHAT?
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WHY DON'T YOU?
LET GO!
LADIES FIRST.
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I GET IT.
SO I FINALLY FOUND WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO TAKE BACK...
IT'S LIKE WHAT HAPPENED BACK AT ONIGLO.
THE UNDER-WEAR ALWAYS SEEMS TO BE A RED HERRING.

DID YOU KNOW? THE MORE YOU TRY TO STOP ME, THE MORE INTERESTED I AM IN READING IT!
.....
IF YOU READ IT I'LL BEAT YOU!
THIS IS YOUR REAL TREASURE.

WA-
BEST IF YOU LEARNED THAT

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Wait, don't!
HUH, WHAT?
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TREASURE NOTE, VOLUME 5
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I'M SORRY.
Stop!
FOUND ON THE TOP OF THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN, IT'LL MAKE YOUR STOMACH CHURN.
#163 GOURMET FLOWER (TEMPORARY NAME) MY IMPRESS-IONS
I surrender!
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NEXT PAGE.
WHAT, IT'S LIKE A POKEDEX OR SOMETHING...
Okay, okay! I got it, just stop reading it!
I'll say it! I'll say it! I'll say it!

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AH!
NICELY SAID.
AH...
UH, WAIT-

I, UH-
FORGOT YOU WERE ...
NAKED ...
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WAIT-
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SO... ARE YOU OKAY?
LIKE HELL I AM.
I LOST A LOT OF BLOOD.
ANY-WAY...
IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT...
B-but
I DON'T REALLY GET IT... BUT THE TIDES CERTAINLY CHANGED QUICKLY.
YOU SURRENDERED AS SOON AS I READ YOUR DIARY...
YOU'RE A STRANGE GIRL.
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Oh look, we should go save Fuyumi!
And I'll help you since I lost to you!
Ah, forget it!
HUH?
.....
IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU.
...OH.
ALL RIGHT THEN.
But even if all the enemies in the world surround you...
?
You're most certainly going to lose
So let's get going!
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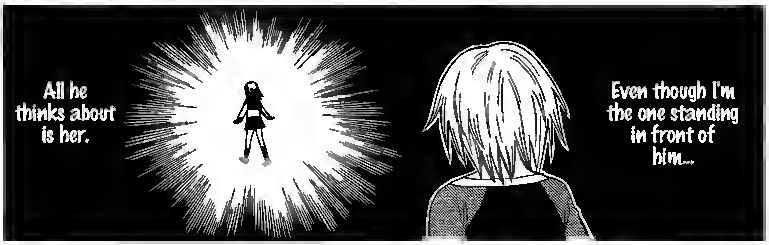
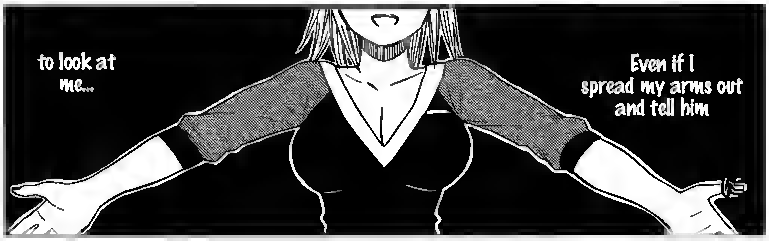
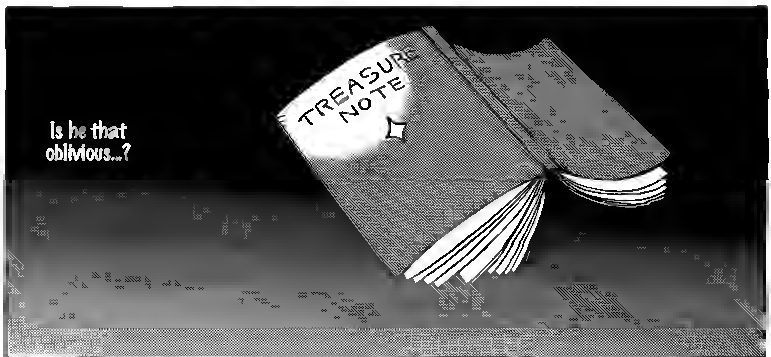
.....
Are you still going to walk straight ahead...?

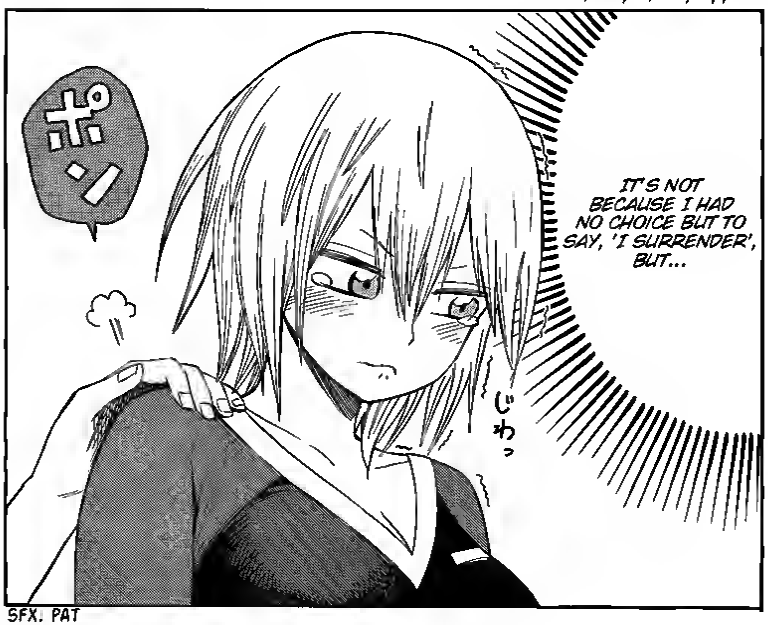
YOU'RE SUCH AN IDIOT...
YOU'RE BETTER OFF FORGETTING ABOUT FUYUMI...
BECAUSE EVEN IF YOU CAN'T BRING HER BACK...
And even if your blood isn't enough for her...
You've never even considered parting ways with her, have you?


All he thinks about is her.
Even though I'm the one standing in front of him...


to look at me...
Even if I spread my arms out and tell him

He'll just ignore me.


Is he that oblivious...?
TREASURE NOTE



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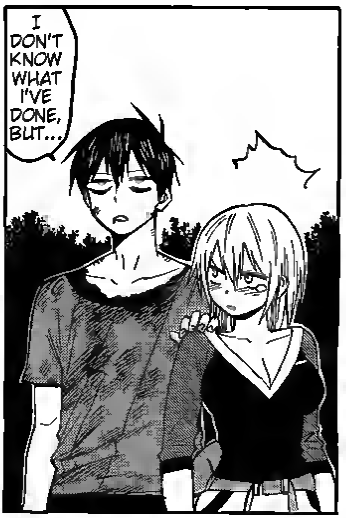

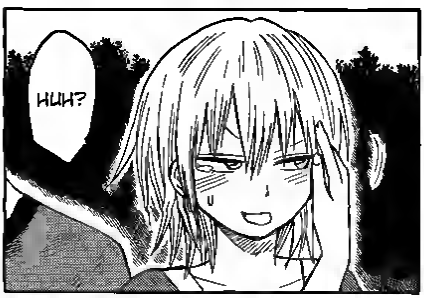

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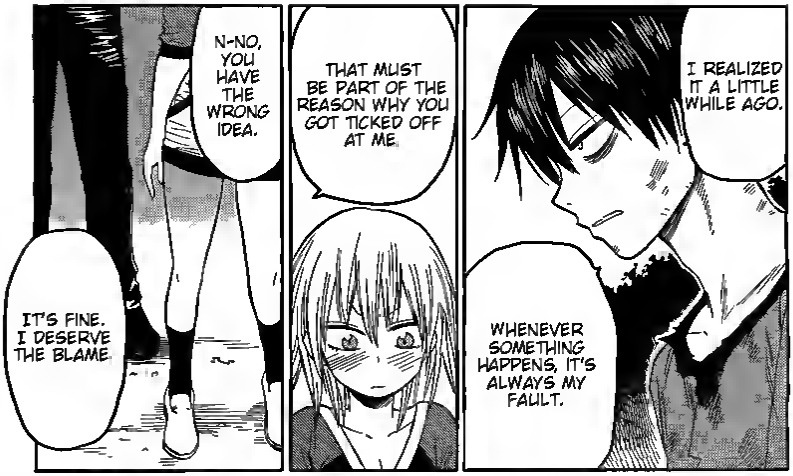
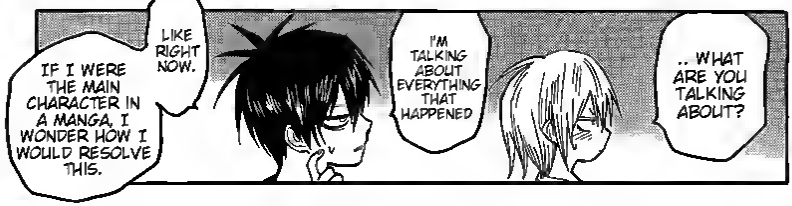

I REALIZED IT A LITTLE WHILE AGO.
WHENEVER SOMETHING HAPPENS, IT'S ALWAYS MY FAULT.
THAT MUST BE PART OF THE REASON WHY YOU GOT TICKED OFF AT ME.
N-NO, YOU HAVE THE WRONG IDEA.
IT'S FINE. I DESERVE THE BLAME.


.. WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
I'M TALKING ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED
LIKE RIGHT NOW.
IF I WERE THE MAIN CHARACTER IN A MANGA, I WONDER HOW I WOULD RESOLVE THIS.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "RIGHT NOW"?
LET ME EXPLAIN
I WAS THINKING OF AN ANSWER AND I JUST HAD AN IDEA.
I ACTED LIKE A VILLIAN TO YOU.

SO IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU REALLY WISH TO COMPLAIN ABOUT ME, THROW THEM ALL AT ME!
'IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!' AND THINGS LIKE THAT.
AND DON'T SUGARCOAT IT EITHER.
I'M A VILLIAN AFTER ALL.
WHAT ARE YOU EVEN TALKING ABOUT?
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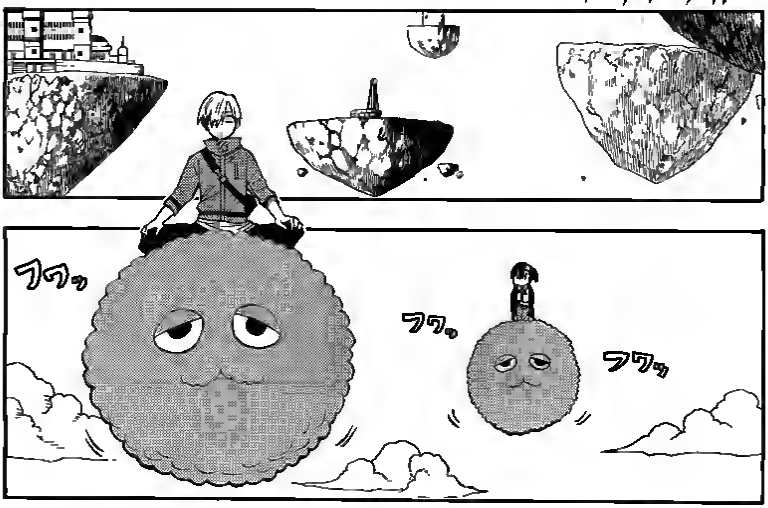
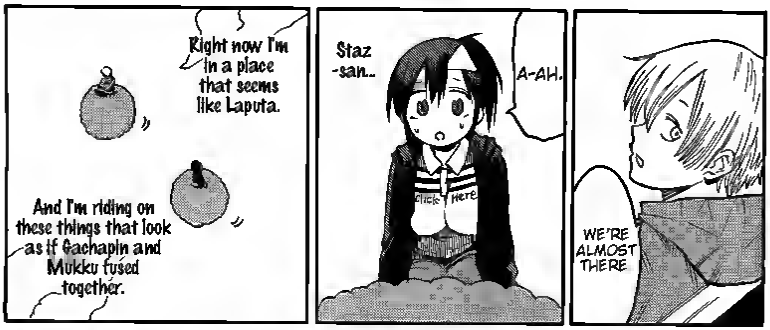
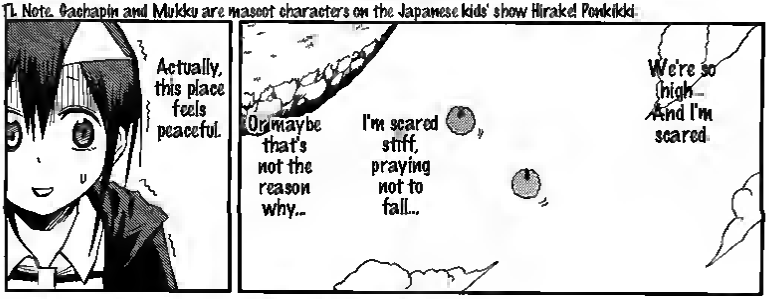
YOU DON'T HAVE TO HOLD ANYTHING BACK.
.....
JUST SAY THAT I CAUSED EVERYTHING, OR SOMETHING...

LET'S JUST GO.
I GET IT ALREADY, THANKS.
Don't you have things to-
Hey...
YEAH, YEAH.
You caused everything.
YOU CAUSED EVERYTHING? DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU CAUSED?
MAN, I EVEN TRIED TO MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER, AND...
It's all your fault, idiot.
And made me surrender in order to hide my true feelings...
When you pulled me out...




Right now I'm in a place that seems like Laputa.
And I'm riding on these things that look as if Gachapin and Mukku fused together.
Staz -san..
A-AH.
WE'RE ALMOST THERE

TL Note. Gachapin and Mukku are mascot characters on the Japanese kids' show Hirake! Ponkikki.


Actually, this place feels peaceful.
Or maybe that's not the reason why..
I'm scared stiff, praying not to fall...
We're so high— And I'm scared.

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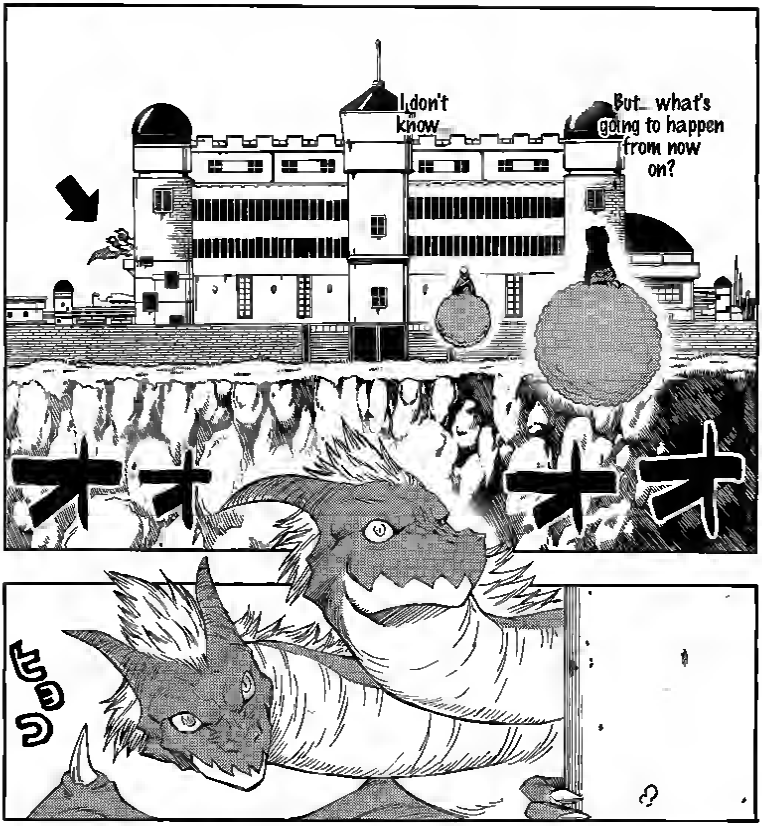
I...don't know...
But... what's going to happen from now on?
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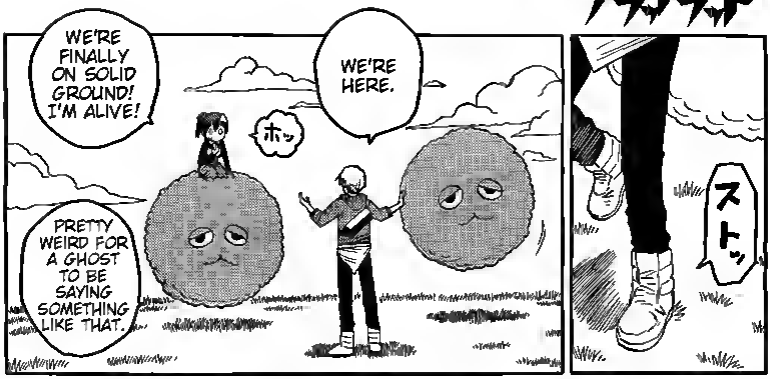
But I s-should be safe here.
Amazing, it's looking at me...
What is that? What IS that?


WE'RE FINALLY ON SOLID GROUND! I'M ALIVE!
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WE'RE HERE.
PRETTY WEIRD FOR A GHOST TO BE SAYING SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
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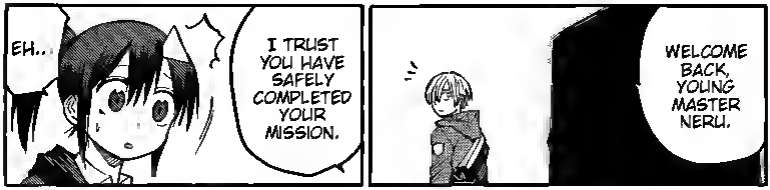
EH..
I TRUST YOU HAVE SAFELY COMPLETED YOUR MISSION.
WELCOME BACK, YOUNG MASTER NERU.

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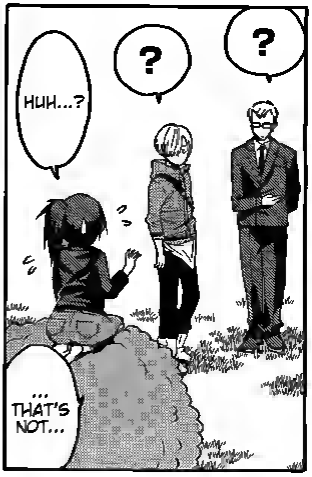
CONGRAT-ULATIONS.
Dad!?

WHAT'S WRONG?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HUH...?
...THAT'S NOT...

For one, he has blonde hair and horns, but those glasses and that appearance...
No.. they seem similar, but...

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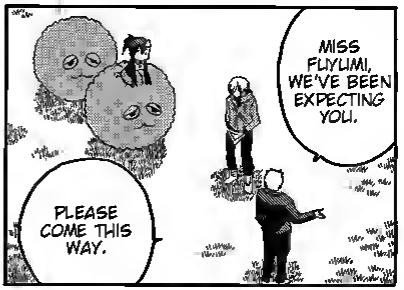
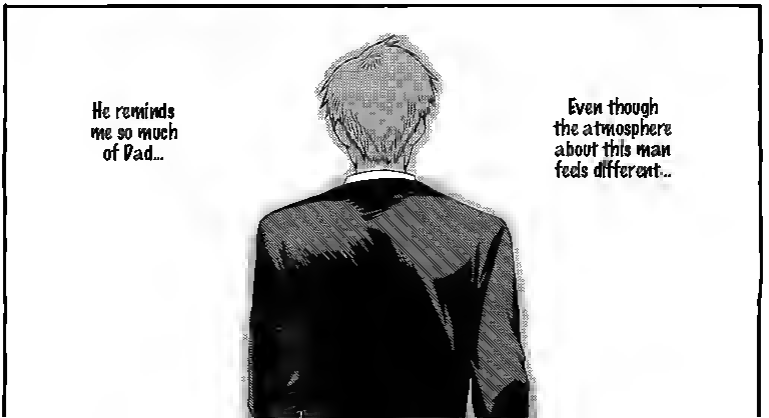
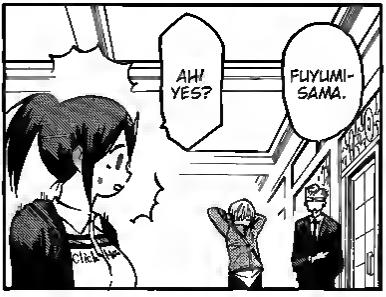
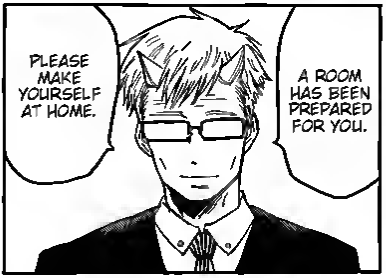
NO-THING
Herz

But definitely...
Okay..
I WON-DER WHY...?


MISS FUYUMI, WE'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU.
PLEASE COME THIS WAY.


He reminds me so much of Dad...
Even though the atmosphere about this man feels different...





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LADY NENE IS GETTING HERSELF READY AND WILL SUMMON YOU IN A SHORT WHILE.
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14 YEARS...?
SO IT'S BEEN THAT LONG...

WHAT IS BERU'S MOTHER THINKING ABOUT?

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